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Big Changes on Beacon Street

Dramatic and Expanded Spaces

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Our alumni association has embarked on an important journey. As of July 1, or thereabouts, the Alumni Association will dissolve its individual corporate charter and become an integral part of the College. It will cease to operate as an autonomous entity. In truth, this independence was not visible in the conduct of the Association's programs or the spirit of its leaders, but for the most part remained buried in the Alumni Association's corporate papers.

Unfortunately, we sometimes allowed our separate structures to be the excuse for not moving forward, for not undertaking new initiatives to develop more vigorous alumni programs. It was always the "other guy's" assignment. In fact, the responsibility for serving alumni, advancing the College, and elevating our profession has always been a mutual one. It is my firm belief that the opportunities for working cooperatively with alumni will now be enhanced.

During its history, the Alumni Association has compiled a commendable record of accomplishments. The Association has taken a leadership role in developing scholarship programs, molding the thinking of our students with respect to career options, and more recently actively participating in the recruitment of students. We can be proud of the efforts of those who had served on the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association over the years. But it is not easy to keep a 100-percent-volunteer organization afloat. Greater reliance on the resources of the College is now necessary to support our alumni programs. The alumni dues structure cannot do it alone.

The College will begin by hiring a full-time Director of Alumni Affairs. This individual will have the responsibility of working with the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association to continue the ongoing alumni programs and to shape a rich agenda of new initiatives. We are hopeful that our alumni will become a stronger force in the College community, and that together we will create a contemporary calendar of college programs and events to respond to the needs of the alumni. And we hope that we can develop new opportunities for alumni to participate in furthering the mission of the College. Not only can the College be a valuable resource to the alumni, but the alumni can also be an essential asset to the College. Together we can strengthen each other, and in turn, strengthen our profession.

Larry R. Clausen, O.D., M.P.H.
President

I would like to share with all NEWENCO Alumni my comments presented at the newly-revived Alumni Luncheon/Annual Meeting, held at this year's NECO conference.

"It is with great happiness that I can make the following announcement. On February 17, 1993, the Board of Trustees of NEWENCO, and on Wednesday, March 10, 1993, the Executive Board of NEWENCO's Alumni Association, each approved the final motions necessary to affect the remerger of NEWENCO's Alumni Association back into the administration by NEWENCO as of July 1, 1993. These concurrent votes were the culmination of the work started by Dr. Neil Schram and Dr. Irwin Shwom, past presidents of the Alumni Association, and President Larry Clausen of NEWENCO.

"This remerger will streamline the operations of the Alumni Association through the hiring of a full-time Director of Alumni Affairs, who will answer to the Vice President for Student and Alumni Affairs, Dr. Hy Kamens. A search committee has been formed and an active recruitment is underway.

"The details of this remerger are exciting and a win-win situation for all concerned. The Alumni Association and its Executive Board will become an advisory board to the College, and will maintain its responsibilities and activities relative to student scholarships, career seminars, alumni advocacy, and events. The Board of Trustees of NEWENCO has approved a true Alumni Scholarship Endowment Fund, designed to guarantee, at a minimum, the present alumni scholarship level of $9,000 per year. The Alumni Emergency Loan Fund, now at $15,000, will continue to operate, as it has for over 15 years, providing immediate, short-term, interest-free loans to our students.

"Just as exciting, dues-paying members of the Alumni Association will be able to reap tangible benefits for their support of NEWENCO. There are ongoing discussions relative to discounted rates for Continuing Education, Library Services, Bookstore, and Mail Order purchases. The details of these new benefits will be announced in upcoming mailings and in future issues of *Perspective*.

"The revitalization and fee structure of this very luncheon show the commitment NEWENCO has made to re-establish a strong relationship with its alumni. This is just a start. One of the many responsibilities of the Director of Alumni Affairs will be to research and develop other tangible benefits for regular and life members of NEWENCO's Alumni Association. The goal is to develop the closest possible relationship between NEWENCO and its alumni.

"In closing, I'm proud to have been part of this important event, especially as NEWENCO prepares for its upcoming centennial celebration. Thank you for joining us today."

Need I say more?

Walter Potaznick, O.D., F.A.A.O., '76
Alumni Association President

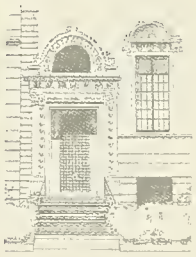
Faculty News

Dr. Frank Thorn, Professor of Vision Science, was featured in a recent *New York Times* article on myopia. The focus of the story was recent findings that suggest nearsightedness may have both genetic and environmental causes, and detailed experiments to cure or prevent the condition. Dr. Thorn was quoted extensively on his work as a consultant at the M.I.T. vision laboratory, where the studies were conducted. He also discussed experiments in China involving a program to reduce the incidence of myopia, particularly among children.

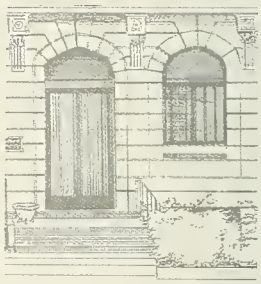
Dr. Frank Thorn (left) and Dr. James Comerford at the ARVO meeting

The following professors and students presented papers at the 1993 meeting of the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) in May: **Dr. Terry Chin**, **Dr. James Comerford**, **Dr. Thomas Freddo**, **Dr. Charles Leahy**, **Christopher Malloy**, **Rita Pandey**, **Dr. Eli Peli**, **Dr. Frank Thorn**, and **Dr. Ram Vimal**.

Head Librarian and Associate Professor **Lynne Silvers** recently completed an administrative sabbatical at the Countway Library of the Harvard Medical School. During her sabbatical, Ms. Silvers participated in many projects dealing with improving services and procedures at the Library, and worked directly with Ms. Judith Messerle, Head Librarian at the Countway Library. Ms. Silvers served as the Chair of the 1992-93 annual meeting of the North Atlantic Health Sciences Libraries, Chair of the Association of Visual Science Libraries from 1990 to 1992, and was recently certified as a Distinguished Member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals of the Medical Library Association.



Associate Professor **Roger Wilson**, Director of External Clinical Programs, had a six-month sabbatical at the Southeastern University College of Optometry in Florida. This sabbatical allowed Dr. Wilson to enhance his knowledge and clinical experience in the ocular manifestations and treatment of AIDS. Dr. Wilson was also helpful to their administration and faculty in developing their accreditation self-study and plans for expanding their external clinical programs.



Dr. Larry R. Clausen, President of NEWENCO, recently testified before the members of the Executive Departments and Administration Committee of the New Hampshire Legislature in favor of House Bill 653 which would allow optometrists to practice using therapeutic pharmaceutical agents. Others providing testimony included **Beverly Scott, O.D.**, 1993 class valedictorian, and **Stephen Byrnes, O.D.**, Assistant Professor of Optometry and President of the New Hampshire Optometric Association. **Dr. Morris Applebaum**, Vice President for Academic Affairs, testified before the joint Senate and House Health Care Committees of the Massachusetts Legislature in favor of the Massachusetts TPA bill for optometrists.

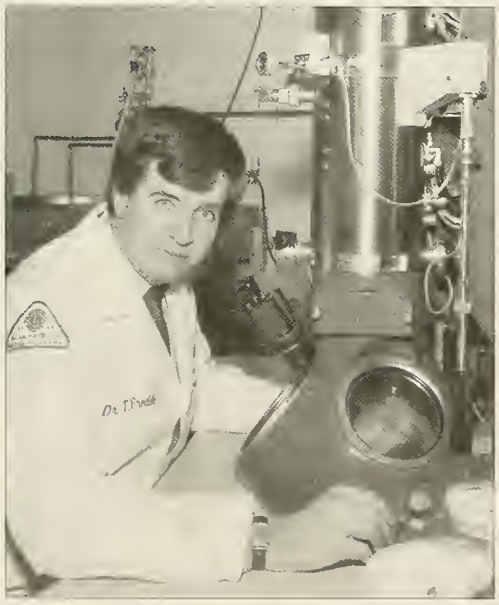
Professor **Stanley Klein** received the Award for Excellence from the Boston Institute for the Development of Infants and Parents, in Boston in November, 1992. Dr. Klein is also co-author of a book, *It Isn't Fair: Siblings of*

Children with Disabilities, published by Greenwood Publishing Company, and his paper "Creating Family-Professional Partnerships: Educating Physicians and other Health Professionals to Care for Children with Chronic and Disabling Conditions" was published in the June, 1993 *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics*.

Associate Professor of Immunology **Steven Koevary, Ph.D.**, has received a $32,000 grant from Miles, Inc., Pharmaceutical Division. The research project is "Effects of Acarbose in the BBZ/WOR Rat: An Obese Model of Human Type II Diabetes."

At the 1993 Commencement Award Dinner in May, sponsored by Vision Service Plan, the Class of 1993 presented Professor **John Carter** with the Foster Namias Award for superior quality of teaching, knowledge in his field, and outstanding service. Assistant Professor **Robert Capone** was the recipient of the Carroll Martus Award, presented to a member of the clinical faculty who has demonstrated excellence in teaching and expertise in the field while providing outstanding service to students.

The Board of Trustees at their May, 1993 meeting approved the promotion of **Dr. Nancy Carlson** to Professor and **Drs. Susan Baylus, Sandra Bedard**, and **Stanley Hatch** to Assistant Professor. Dean of Academic Affairs Morris Applebaum has also announced the promotion of **Dr. Thomas Freddo** to Professor.



DR. THOMAS FREDDO RECEIVES THE GLENN A. FRY AWARD

At the 1992 annual meeting of the American Academy of Optometry in Orlando in December, **Dr. Thomas Freddo**, Adjunct Associate Professor, was presented with the Glenn A. Fry Award for excellence in vision research. The award, sponsored by the American Optometric Foundation (AOF), was presented by Dr. Dale Lervick, President of AOF. Dr. Freddo presented a paper entitled "Aqueous Humor Proteins: A Key for Unlocking Glaucoma?" Dr. Freddo's research was conducted through a grant from the National Eye Institute. Dr. Freddo is also Associate Professor of Ophthalmology, Pathology, and Anatomy and Director of the Eye Pathology Laboratory at the Boston University School of Medicine.

New England College of Optometry Welcomes New Trustees

Board of Trustees' Chairman Joseph Bickford is pleased to announce to the College community that five new members have joined the New England College of Optometry Board of Trustees following their recent election. Beginning their three-year terms in 1993 are John F. Kilcommons, L.M.A.; Thomas C. McDermott, D.B.A.; Neil I. Schram, O.D.; David J. Smith, O.D.; and Paul B. Taylor, O.D.

John F. Kilcommons, L.M.A.

John F. Kilcommons is Director of Community Relations at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. He was previously Special Assistant to the Mayor's Office, Boston, where he was responsible for daily operations.

Mr. Kilcommons has served on a number of regional task forces and committees, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the South Boston Boys and Girls Club, the Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts, and the South Boston Neighborhood House. He earned a Bachelors of Engineering degree from Wentworth College and a Masters degree in History from the Harvard University Graduate School of Liberal Arts.

New Trustee Thomas C. McDermott, Board Chairman Joseph Bickford, and Immediate Past Chairman Lester M. Brackley III (left to right)

Thomas C. McDermott, D.B.A.

Thomas C. McDermott recently concluded a seven-year tenure as President and Chief Operating Officer of Bausch and Lomb Incorporated in Rochester, New York. Prior to joining B&L, Mr. McDermott held senior management positions with General Cinema Corporation, E.R. Squibb & Sons, Inc., and Bristol Myers Company. Early in his career, he served as a special agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Among his affiliations, Mr. McDermott is a director of A. T. Cross Company, Goulds Pumps Incorporated, and Revere Copper Products, Inc., and a trustee of the Rochester Institute of Technology and the Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce. He is a graduate of Providence College, where he received an honorary degree in 1988.

Neil I. Schram, O.D.

Neil I. Schram, who will serve as Alumni Trustee on the Board, has maintained a successful practice in Charlestown, Massachusetts, for 22 years.

For the past four years, Dr. Schram has been a member of the National Board of Examiners in Optometry. As a member of the American Optometric Association, he has been active on several committees, and has served as Chairman of the Massachusetts Society of Optometrists, Boston District. A 1971 graduate of NEWENCO, Dr. Schram has been President of the Alumni Association and a member of the College's Board of Corporators.

New Trustees Dr. David J. Smith, Dr. Neil I. Schram, and Dr. Paul B. Taylor (left to right)

David J. Smith, O.D.

For 30 years, David J. Smith has practiced in Portland, Maine, and is a member of the faculty at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Dr. Smith is past chairman of the State Board of Examiners in Maine, and past president of the Maine Optometric Society, the Maine Prevention of Blindness Program, and the New England Council of Optometrists. He is a current member of the American Optometric Association.

A 1962 graduate of NEWENCO, Dr. Smith has been a member of the College's Board of Corporators, and will serve as Alumni Trustee.

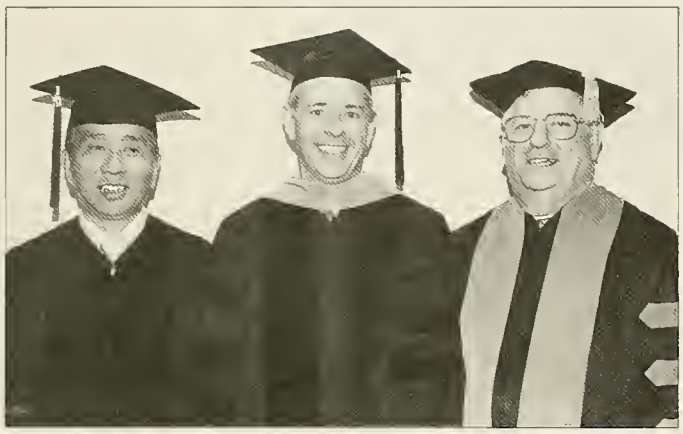
Paul B. Taylor, O.D.

During his many years of successful private practice in New Haven, Connecticut, Paul B. Taylor has received numerous awards, including the Connecticut Optometric Association's 1977 Optometrist of the Year citation, and this year's Headstart Award in recognition of his outstanding community leadership.

Dr. Taylor has been an active member of the National Optometric Association, and has been president of both the Connecticut Optometric Association and the New England Council of Optometrists. With the American Optometric Association, he has served on the Nominating, Political Action, and Third Party Vision Care Committees. He is a 1955 graduate of NEWENCO and is a past member of the College's Board of Corporators.

1993 Commencement

One hundred and eight NEWENCO graduates were granted Doctor of Optometry degrees at the 99th annual commencement on Sunday, May 30, 1993, at John Hancock Hall in Boston. Dr. Larry R. Clausen presided over his fourth commencement since assuming the Presidency in 1990. Dr. Clausen, along with Dr. Joseph Bickford, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, presented the honorary degree of Doctor of Ocular Science to Dr. Li Riqian, President of the Wenzhou Medical College in the People's Republic of China, and the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters to Dr. Sylvio Dupuis, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Catholic Medical Center in Manchester, New Hampshire.



President Larry R. Clausen is flanked by honorary degree recipients Dr. Li Riqian (left) and Dr. Sylvio Dupuis.

In his presentation, Dr. Li announced that, with the collaborative efforts of the Wenzhou Medical College and The New England College of Optometry, the 1.2 billion men, women, and children in China stand to benefit from greatly enhanced vision care.

Valedictorian Beverly Therese Scott

Dr. Dupuis urged members of the graduating class to assume roles of leadership in the growing optometric community. He expressed his belief that a brighter future can be achieved, but only if individuals accept the responsibility, and never lose faith in their ability to create positive change.

Following the conferring of honorary degrees, Beverly Therese Scott, valedictorian of the class of 1993, addressed the nearly 1200 graduates, faculty members, trustees, and guests. In her remarks, she reminisced about the years of study she and her classmates had experienced at The New England College of Optometry. She urged her classmates to make every effort to retain their high level of competence, to invest in lifelong learning, and to participate in the legislative process to increase the scope

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May 1993 Graduates Doctor of Optometry Degrees

Christopher Louis Agro
Enfield, Connecticut

Stanley F. Anton
Elizabeth, New Jersey

Stephen Scott Arnold
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Naila Aslam
San Dimas, California
The William C. Barrett Memorial Scholarship Award

Rola Youssef Attieh*
Beverly Hills, California

Kathleen Mary Baidy
Scotia, New York

Carol A. Balfe
Canjoharie, New York

Stacy Elaine Bean*
Swampscott, Massachusetts

George Daniel Bertherman*
Greenville, Rhode Island
NEWENCO Clinic Award

Renée R. Berthiaume*
New Bedford, Massachusetts

Beth Louise Blair*
Manchester, New Hampshire

Linda S. Brown
Stonington, Connecticut

Julie Nei Carlson*
Belmont, Massachusetts
Salutatory Award

Marty Joseph Caron*
Othello, Washington

Parise M. Chamberland*
Madawaska, Maine

May-May Chan
Oakland, California

Arup Kumar Chatterjee
Brighton, Massachusetts

Roseann Nasca Cirincione
Rochester, NewYork

Debra O'Donnell Cohen
South Hadley, Massachusetts

John Anthony Dadah*
Worcester, Massachusetts
The Harold Kohn Memorial Award (AOF Award); Vistakon Excellence in Contact Lens Patient Care Award

Trevor John Davies
Grahamstown, South Africa
Advanced Standing International Program Scholastic Achievement Award

Charles J. DeLuca
Manhasset, New York

Fulya Yesim Erdag
Wilmington, Delaware

William Wing Hung Fan
Kowloon, Hong Kong

Camille Annette Farrell
Flushing, New York
Minority Recognition Award

Anthony Frank Favale, II
Brooklyn, New York
Dr. Edward Joseph Troendle, Jr. Award; Alumni Association Award

Madeline Fernandez
Piscataway, New Jersey

Gregory Martin Fowler
Atlanta, Georgia

Alan Neil Glazier
Silver Spring, Maryland

Karen Ann Grante
Waterbury, Connecticut
Alcon Contact Lens Award

Dena Christelle Hall
Smithfield, Rhode Island

Tracy Ann Haradon*
Holyoke, Massachusetts

Robert David Harmon
Wynnewood, Pennsylvania

Elizabeth Abigail Harris*
Bedford, New Hampshire
Ciba Vision Corporation Contact Lens Achievement Award

Albert C. Ho
North Point, Hong Kong

Sonya Jaye Hooks
Temecula, California

Lenore Caroline Hummelman
Chula Vista, California

Angela Imperioli
Leamington, Ontario, Canada

Anna Lisa Ison*
Attleboro, Massachusetts

Jeanette Jezick
Holtsville, New York

Robert J. Joba*
West Seneca, New York

Sandra Diane Joly
Woonsocket, Rhode Island

Amani Kamel*
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Channon Wen-Mei Kao
San Mateo, California

Catherine Myung Shin Kim
Redlands, California

Mihwa Kim
Richmond, California

Lisa Sue Kingsly
Short Hills, New Jersey

Michelle DiTusa Kozlowski
Fredonia, New York

Gilbert Le Cren*
Scarborough, Maine

Louise Fen-Yu Lee
Fremont, California

Sylvia E. Levy
Pikesville, Maryland

Wen-Chein Lin
Edison, New Jersey

Marcus Shang Hung Luk
South Pasadena, California

April R. MacEachern*
Billerica, Massachusetts

Lisa Louise MacLeod*
Plymouth, Massachusetts

Christopher Brien Malloy
Brookline, Massachusetts

Donna Marie Malloy*
Plaistow, New Hampshire

Noreen Bernadette Marron*
Lynn, Massachusetts

Carlos José Mesa*
Miami, Florida
Class of 1969 Scholarship Award; Silor Optical Award; Pilkington Barnes-Hind Student Recognition Award

Robin Peelle Drill Mevissen
Boston, Massachusetts

Holly Marie Misto*
Westerly, Rhode Island

Lianne T. Mizoguchi*
Vista, California

Richard Levi Morganstein
Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey

Antonio G. Moscone*
Sarnia, Ontario, Canada
The Fisons Corporation Award for Clinical Excellence; Sunsoft Contact Lens Achievement Award

Anne Moskowitz
Boston, Massachusetts
Accelerated Doctor of Optometry Program Scholastic Achievement Award; Ira Schwartz Behavioral Vision Award

Shannon M. Mulligan
Danbury, Connecticut
F. Dow Smith Award

Bairanje Ramakrishna Nayak
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dawn Susan O'Shea
Greenville, Rhode Island

Peter Igbuan Oyakhire
Benin, Edo, Nigeria

Fontina Pateras*
Boston, Massachusetts

Diana Pesteanu-Grujenschi
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Vincent A. Piraino
Staten Island, New York

Gurnek Singh Rai*
Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada
William Feinbloom Low Vision Award

Della Roberts-McKay
Brooklyn, New York

David Brian Rosenblum
Riverside, California

Lydia Rosner
Monsey, New York

Judith Lynn Schaffer
Commack, New York
The Irvin M. Borish Award (AOF Award)

Beverly Therese Scott*
Hudson, New Hampshire
Valedictory Award; Beta Sigma Kappa Silver Medal Award; Dr. Ralph H. Green Award

Amy Dee Pruszenski Shorter
Seabrook, New Hampshire
The Frederick W. Brock, O.D. Award (AOF Award)

Catherine Kelly Theresa Simyan
Moscow, Pennsylvania

Jason Randall Smith
Forty Fort, Pennsylvania

Tracy Jacqueline Snowden
North Hampton, New Hampshire

Debra Beth Solomon
Plainview, New York

Samira Ando Soro
Brookline, Massachusetts

Peter Jeffrey Stein
Guilford, Connecticut

David Michael Stella*
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Jennifer L. Stroh*
Windsor, Connecticut
Daniel Kuperstein Memorial Award

Kevin Gregory Sudol
Passaic, New Jersey

Kristin Breed Tallman
Andover, Massachusetts

Alexander Tarnarider
Brooklyn, New York

Robert Mitchell Thacker*
Providence, Rhode Island

Kurt Joseph Tichy*
Oxford, Connecticut
Corning Medical Optics Low Vision Award

Mark A. Traveis
Melrose, Massachusetts

Robert Marc Tyszko
Nashua, New Hampshire

George Zois Tzepos*
Oxford, Connecticut

Susan K. Varnum
Wilmington, Massachusetts
Bausch & Lomb Excellence in Academic Achievement Award

Nickolas G. Vlantis
New York, New York

Jungling Wang
Taipei, Taiwan

Debra Michel Weissberg
Dix Hills, New York

J. Courtland White
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Randy Michael Williams*
Derry, New Hampshire

Robert Douglas Yale*
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Sunny Yoon
Fresh Meadows, New York

Musa Ammash I. Zaiyd
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Shauna Glenn Zemken
Sprakers, New York

Zhiren Zhu
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

Kathleen Thérèse Zinzer*
Wrightstown, Pennsylvania

Abraham Zlatin*
Levittown, New York

*Member of Beta Sigma Kappa Honor Society
AOF Award American Optometric Foundation Award

The Class of 1993

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of optometry.

Seven members of the 50th Reunion Class and their guests joined in the graduation festivities, which featured the honorary degree brunch at the Copley Plaza hotel, prior to the commencement ceremony. Members of the class of 1943 in attendance were: Charles Sumner Bloom, O.D.; Joseph A. Craven, Jr., O.D.; S. Bernard Issokson, O.D.; Malcolm I. Kates, O.D.; Robert I. Kraus, O.D.; Hyman Rossen, O.D.; and Clinton Wilson, O.D.

Dr. Morris Applebaum, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Daniel Kurtz, Faculty Chair, presented the doctoral hoods to the graduates.

Dr. Terrance B. Neylon, Vice President for Administration, and Professor Frank Kozol served as Marshals for the Commencement.

Celebrating their 50th reunion were (left to right): Charles Sumner Bloom, Malcolm I. Kates, S. Bernard Issokson, Joseph A. Craven, Jr., Robert I. Kraus, Clinton Wilson, and Hyman Rossen.

Alumni Association Luncheon/Annual Meeting

With the support and cooperation of NEWENCO President Larry R. Clausen, the Alumni Association sponsored the revitalization of the NECO Luncheon/Annual meeting on Saturday, March 13. Even in the midst of the second major snow storm of the winter, over 70 alumni, spouses, friends, and NEWENCO faculty and administrators attended. Among the noteworthy events: The Classes of 1953 and 1968 held their 40th and 25th reunions, respectively. Alumni Association officers were installed by Dr. Bruce Kirn, President of NECO. Dr. Lester M. Brackley III, '68, was honored as Alumnus of the Year in the presence of several of his classmates and family members.

Dr. Walter Potaznick, President of the Alumni Association, announced the finalization of plans for the Association to rejoin the College under the administration of the Director of Alumni Affairs, a new position to be filled in the near future. (Details of the remerger appear in the "Presidents' Letters" in this issue.)

Despite the bad weather, a fine time was enjoyed by all, and plans are already underway for next year's luncheon meeting.

Alumni Association Officers, Directors, and Board of Trustees' Representatives

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President - Walter Potaznick, O.D., F.A.A.O.
Vice President - Craig Brotsky, O.D.
Secretary/Treasurer - Morris Berman, O.D.
Past President - Irwin Shwom, O.D.

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Lester M. Brackley III, O.D.
Nancy Carlson, O.D., F.A.A.O.
Hyman Kamens, O.D.

Representatives to the NEWENCO Board of Trustees 1993-1995

Neil Schram, O.D.
David Smith, O.D.
John Asarkof, O.D., F.A.A.O.

Members of the Class of 1968 attending their 25th reunion at the Alumni Association Luncheon were (left to right) Richard Lippman, Donald Louis Bonnadonna, Lester M. Brackley III, John Tomasi, David Reed, Garrett Sullivan, William Watts, and Clifford Scott.

Alumnus of the Year

Dr. Lester M. Brackley III, '68, was honored recently as the NEWENCO Alumni Association Alumnus of the Year. The award was presented at the Alumni Luncheon at the NECO conference in March.

In making the presentation, Dr. Walter Potaznick, President of the Alumni Association, cited Dr. Brackley's 25-year commitment and service to the optometric and neighborhood communities. He particularly noted Dr. Brackley's tenure as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of NEWENCO (1985-1991), a position to which he rose from his alumni representation on the Board. Still active as a Trustee, he serves as chair or member of several committees.

In his community activities, Dr. Brackley is President of the Hingham Rotary, a member of the Board of Directors of the South Boston Neighborhood House, and a member of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce. An individual of diverse interests, he is President of the Hingham Grid Iron Club, an active supporter of the Pop Warner League, and a member of the Board of Directors of the South Shore Art Gallery.

Enhancing the honor of being named Alumnus of the Year was receiving it at his 25th reunion, with many classmates in attendance. In his introduction, Dr. Potaznick said, "...beyond this list of accomplishments and activities, there is this person, quietly—well, not so quietly—working with an unmatched sense of humor to balance the seriousness of his tasks and commitments. Dr. Lester Brackley III has unselfishly given of himself the hard work and dedication necessary to bring NEWENCO and optometry where it is today...." Dr. Brackley was joined by his wife, children, and other members of his family.

Dr. Lester M. Brackley III (left) receives the Alumnus of the Year Award from Dr. Walter Potaznick, President of the Alumni Association

Alumni Association Sponsors Career Seminar

The NEWENCO Alumni Association sponsored the 14th annual Student Seminar entitled "After Graduation—Where, How, and What Type of Practice is Best Suited for You" at the Lenox Hotel in April. To assist next year's graduates in planning their optometric careers, several practicing alumni made brief presentations in various fields. Those who discussed both advantages and disadvantages of their practice settings were:

Linda Bennett, O.D., '80, Private Practice

Craig Brotsky, O.D., '87, Commercial Practice

John Abbondanza, O.D., '88, Primary Care in an Ophthalmology Group Practice

Stephen Harney, O.D., '78, Contact Lens Practice in an Ophthalmological Setting

Michele Coleman, O.D., '90, Primary Care in Hospital-Based Practice and V.A. Residency Programs.

The seminar was moderated by Dr. Walter Potaznick, President of the Alumni Association. Over 50 members of the Class of 1994 attended the seminar to listen, learn, and interact with panel members.

WANTED: HISTORICAL PHOTOS

In preparation for the College's centennial celebration, we are looking for historical photos of The New England College of Optometry. Specifically, we seek photographs or negatives of student activities, the College buildings, the clinic, professors, etc., reflecting campus life over the last 100 years. If you have any photographs you would be willing to donate to the College photo archives, please send them, with as much identifying information as you have (names, events, locations, dates) to: Editor, *Perspective,* NEWENCO, 424 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02115. Please indicate if you would like your photos returned.

Annual Fund Update

A major challenge of the 1990s will be our continuing ability to upgrade the quality of education while maintaining a reasonable level of cost for our students. Our College, which has historically been dependent on tuition for most of its operating capital, has, under President Larry R. Clausen's leadership, shifted this focus to other sources of revenue. The Annual Fund is a significant component of this strategy and an important element in our fiscal integrity.

The current campaign was initiated in the late fall of 1992 with a direct mailing to our constituency. One key goal has been to increase active participation from faculty, staff, alumni, and friends of the College. In the final analysis, more contributors will raise more money. A second mailing was sent in the late spring of 1993 under the sponsorship of Dr. Hyman Kamens, Vice President for Student and Alumni Affairs.

This campaign has been designed to allow individuals to direct their funds to a specific area. Major initiatives for the 1992-1993 drive were the *Rebuilding of Beacon Street* and *Financial Aid*. In the former category, the College has undergone extensive renovations, with each phase dramatically altering our academic facility. Another series of renovations is scheduled for the summer of 1993. An exciting new world has been created within the walls of 424 Beacon Street.

A popular category of donation has been financial aid to individuals. The cost of an undergraduate and post graduate optometric education has become prohibitive in recent years. Despite our strong commitment to hold the line on tuition, our students have amassed more and more debt (see Financial Dilemma). Through our constituents' generosity, this burden can be made less devastating. Contributions may be directed to the clinical, academic, research, and/or library fields.

Another challenge to our extended family is matching contributions with the New England Council of Optometrists, for which a permanent endowment fund has been established.

Also available are the named scholarships, which honor distinguished individuals who have made significant contributions to making the College an even finer institute of higher education.

Dr. Richard C. Laudon, who has led this year's Annual Fund, expresses his gratitude to everyone who has assisted him during this stage of the campaign, especially those who have made a personal sacrifice and a hard-earned contribution. Dr. Laudon vows that, in the remaining months of 1993, "we will continue to reach out to achieve our goal of 100% participation."

(The Donor List for 1992-1993 appears elsewhere in this issue.)

FINANCIAL DILEMMA

1 Cost of education and living expenses for a first year student in the '92-'93 academic year was approximately $30,000.

2 Of the 92 students in this year's class, the number of students with educational debt is 74.

3 For students with educational debt, the average indebtedness of the class of 1993 is $67,753.

4 In the academic year '92-'93, the amount of financial aid provided by the financial aid office exceeds $6.1 million.

5 Of this aid, 90% was distributed in loans and 10% was distributed in non-repayable awards.

6 The amount of NEWENCO tuition paid for with financial aid is approximately 85%.

Source: Financial Aid Office

Do you recognize any of these people?
Can you identify the event?
(Hint: It was 1959)
Please let us hear from you.

Big Changes on Beacon Street

In 1989, the NEWENCO Board of Trustees named an ad hoc *committee "to develop a vision for the utilization of our facilities." Architect and Trustee Francis L. DiMella offers this update of that vision as it becomes more tangible in the current renovation of the College.*

Mr. DiMella, a graduate of the Syracuse University School of Architecture, is Executive Vice President of Huygens, DiMella, Shaffer & Associates, Inc., where he has been affiliated since 1968. He has been a NEWENCO Trustee since 1985, and has been Chief Architect of the College's renovation project since its inception.

If you haven't visited the College in the last twelve months, you are in for a shock. When you come to Beacon Street, be prepared to see a new and very different campus.

Two years after developing a comprehensive master plan for broad-scale renovations, the College has taken a large step toward implementing its goals to modernize fully our Beacon Street facilities and to create the physical environment needed to support the challenges NEWENCO faces in our next century.

This summer we will complete the third phase of our capital improvement campaign, which will reflect the investment of over $4,000,000 in the last three years. What is particularly exciting about this effort is that, in addition to providing new classrooms, laboratories, and office space, the overall renovation has brought an entirely new vitality to our buildings—a vitality that is apparent as soon as you enter the restored rotunda.

Since we moved to Beacon Street in 1969, our buildings have been characterized by alterations unrelated to a master plan and spaces inadequate for teaching, research, and office work. The College postponed major renovations as we struggled with other pressing issues and in recent years considered vacating the buildings for alternate locations. In 1990, however, with a decision by the Board of Trustees to remain on Beacon Street for the foreseeable future, a commitment to facilities improvements was made that is unprecedented in the history of the institution.

Today you will see spaces in our buildings that are bright and enriched with architectural detail that has been rediscovered and restored after removal of walls and ceilings added to the buildings over previous decades. With new connecting hallways installed to improve access to each floor from the rotunda, the College now feels much larger and more manageable.

The goals of the master plan are: (1) to establish state-of-the-art facilities to accommodate the College's educational and research programs; (2) to provide up-to-date building electrical, heating, air conditioning, and plumbing systems; (3) to provide access to all College facilities for the physically disabled; (4) to install new life safety systems throughout.

The first floor reception, business, and financial aid areas were rebuilt during the summer of 1991. Large-scale renovation of the upper floors was completed a year ago, and required the total evacuation of the three classroom buildings last summer. We are now beginning this summer's phase of work. It includes completing the remainder of our bioscience teaching and research center on the top floor, and a new classroom, the President's office, and administrative spaces on the second floor.

By summer's end, a ride on our new elevator will carry you to the new environments of: three new classrooms, preclinic areas, research spaces, faculty offices, a bioscience laboratory, and second floor conference room—in short, big changes on Beacon Street in a relatively short time!

Along with building renovation, the College is executing a parallel plan to install new equipment and furniture where replacement has long been needed. We are now operating much more efficiently with a new computer network, telephone system, preclinic equipment, and coordinated systems furniture in several of our administrative areas.

Much of what we have rebuilt will never be seen. Our buildings have new roofs, replacement windows, insulation, wiring, pipes, and duct work that are creating a far more comfortable and productive working environment for all of us.

Even the new landscaping in front of our buildings lets the passerby know that we are tending to our "garden" at NEWENCO. But there is much left to do. The master plan calls for the renovation of our library, which is unquestionably the architectural jewel of the College. This facility is awaiting interior restoration and modernization of its building systems along with remodeling of the upper floor as an alumni/continuing education center.

This project alone is as exciting as those completed these past three years. Dramatic and expanded spaces will be created and new internal connections will link the library directly with the classroom buildings.

We must simultaneously complete improvements to the student affairs areas and finish our student lounge, bookstore, and other basement level renovations.

With the continued support of our NEWENCO family and the outreach that we will achieve in our upcoming centennial campaign, there is no doubt that we will complete our work and meet our goals on time.

Come by and you will agree that we have made a huge head start.

1930s

John E. Asarkof '32: Newton, Mass.; is a professor of Rehabilitative Optometry at NEWENCO and director of the Low Vision Clinic at New England Eye Institute, the College's clinical teaching facility. He is assistant clinical professor, emeritus, in the Department of Ophthalmology at the Boston University Medical School. John also serves on the Board of Trustees of NEWENCO, the Boston Aid to the Blind, Vision Foundation, and Mass. Society for the Prevention of Blindness. He is also a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry.

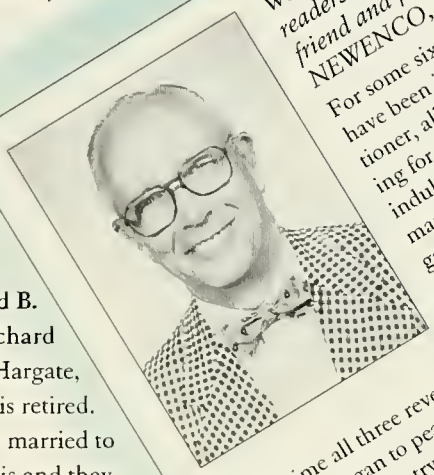
David B. Blanchard '32: Hargate, Fla.; is retired. He is married to Phyllis and they have two sons, Richard and Robert, who is an O.D. They have six grandchildren. David is a member of the Lions, Knights of Columbus, Elks, Moose, New Hampshire Optometric Association, New England Council of Optometrists, and the AOA.

1940s

Conrad A. Cadoret '42: Rockland, Mass.; is practicing optometry with an associate in Woonsocket, R.I. He is married to Barbara and they have two grandchildren. He is a member of the Rhode Island Optometric Association, NECO, AOA, and a 40-year member of the Kiwanis Club.

Harold R. Caldarone '42: Providence, R.I.; is semi-retired and spends winters in Florida. He entered the Navy in 1942 and was released in 1946 as a commissioned officer in the optometry division of the Medical Service Corps and remained in the reserves for 21 years. He has two children and four grandchildren. "My greatest pleasure is golf."

We are pleased to share with our readers this charming note from good friend and former Board Chair of NEWENCO, ***Richard W. Baker '32.***



For some sixty years, and in good health, I have been in optometry as an active practitioner, all of which was a tremendous blessing for which I shall be ever grateful. I did indulge in a courtship which led to my first marriage in 1941 to a fine Swedish lady who gave me three boys, Dick Jr., Peter, and Roy. Completing their college education, one qualified for service in the F.B.I., one an architect, and one inevitably an optometrist. In due time all three revealed an affinity for pretty girls. Wedding bells eventually began to peal. I finally acquired six beautiful grandchildren. My practice of optometry commenced in Somerville, Mass., as a partnership with a fellow classmate, G. Edward Bradley, a genuine gentleman. Circumstances gave rise to a mutual agreement that enabled me to go to my home town, Arlington, to continue my practice, during which I became President of the Mass. Society of Optometrists in 1951, followed by a two-year tenure as treasurer. In 1959 I became a member and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of NEWENCO, a most delightful and rewarding experience. As a life-long resident, I became President of the Arlington Rotary Club during some 55 years of membership. Equally enriching was my 10-year tenure on the Arlington School Committee and [I was] privileged to serve as Chairman when so elected. Enjoying affiliation with the local Masonic Lodge, I saw fit to accept my elevation to the office of Master, only to become Treasurer three years later.

In 1980 my first wife passed away. 1981 marked my marriage to my *amanuensis*, Catherine Harrigan, a gal who gave me a step-daughter currently living in Maine having a position of Vice President in charge of nurse education at the Kennebec Valley Medical Center (Hospital) in Augusta.

All of the above explains my lack of any dull moments! "Hobbies" alone are another chapter.

I pay tribute to my fellow members of the Class of 1932, among whom were Drs. Foster Namias, John Asarkof, Adelbert Parrott, G. Edward Bradley, Ralph H. Green, and Joseph F. Montminy Jr. and Theodore Couch.

Maria A. Font '42: Santurce, P.R.; practiced optometry until 1985 at which time the Puerto Rico College of Optometry dedicated its annual convention to her. She is involved in the Girl Scouts, the Catholic Daughters of America, and the Association of Friends of the Symphony Orchestra.

Herbert Iventash '42: Providence, R.I.; has a part-time practice. His hobbies include traveling. He serves on the board of directors of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island.

Ralph Levine '42: Revere, Mass.; practiced in Boston for 44 years. He also was a teacher for 38 years at the New England Medical Center. He is semi-retired. Ralph has three children and five grandchildren.

Robert Rodman '42: Delray Beach, Fla.; retired in 1984 and moved to Florida. He enjoyed attending the 50th class reunion and seeing all those who attended. He enjoys playing golf, tennis, and bridge. Other interests include reading, computers, and traveling.

Samuel Wasserman '42: Randolph, Mass.; has a general practice. He served as associate professor of geometric and physical optics at the College from 1947-1973. In 1972, he was awarded the honorary degree, Doctor of Ocular Science, from NEWENCO. He is married to Evelyn and they have a son, Larry, and daughter, Barbara.

Ruth Yuzenas Tarullo '49: Westwood, Mass.; has three children and three grandchildren. She spends winters in Sarasota, Florida, and enjoys traveling in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and abroad.

1950s

Angelos S. Afentakis '58: Belmont, Mass.; is retired. Dr. Linda Bennett took over his practice in Belmont and she is "doing a wonderful job."

Norman L. Becker '52: Colonia, N.J.; says his professional and family lives are wonderful. He is married to Edith and says they are "now enjoying the dividends of family — namely grandchildren!"

M. Stuart Berman '52: Lawrence, Mass.; has had a solo practice for almost 40 years. He has been married to Barbara for the past 33 years and they have two children and two grandchildren. He and Barbara live in Ogunquit, Maine, from April to November. He is a member of MSO, AOA, and the Lions. "Anyone coming to Maine, please stop by and see us," he says.

Philip B. Bern '53: Newton, Mass.; is in private practice in Boston. He is married and has three children.

Eugene J. Bogage '52: Orwigsburg, Penn.; has five children and one grandchild.

Lawrence R. Carmen '52: Los Angeles, Calif.; is no longer practicing optometry. He has been a psychotherapist for the last 18 years. His wife Rita is also a psychotherapist. They have three children and they enjoy spending time in San Carlos, Mexico, and Park City, Utah, where they have condominiums.

Thomas G. Clark '52: Somerset, Mass.; served as MSO president from 1981-82. From 1987-88, he was president of the New England Council of Optometrists. He is a member of AOA. He is married to Margaret and they have four children and five grandchildren.

Harold S. Cohen '52: Kingston, N.H.; has three children and four grandchildren. His daughter Marjorie is a NEWENCO graduate. He has traveled to Turkey, Egypt, China, Japan, and Israel.

William Feinbloom '52: Owings Mills, Maryland; is in general practice. He is an optometry consultant for the Perry Point, Maryland, Veterans' Hospital. He holds memberships in OEP and the Maryland Optometric Association. He is married to Natalie and they have two sons.

Gilbert W. Friedman '52: Fort Meyers, Fla.; has three children.

Theodore Goolst '52: Newton, Mass.; is married to Ruth. They have four children and three grandchildren. He is a member of AOA. His hobbies include tennis.

William M. Myers '52: Framingham, Mass.; is in private practice. His first practice was in Boston; now his office is located in Hopkinton at the starting line of the Boston Marathon. He is chairman of the MSO Conference Committee. He is a member of the Lions and is a past master of two local Masonic Lodges. He has three children and two grandchildren.

George I. Oliver '52: Manchester, N.H.; retired Jan. 1, 1992. He currently volunteers doing data entry at the VA in Manchester and Elliot Hospital. He sings with two choral groups and has "gigs" at nursing homes.

Romeo C. Ouellette '52: N. Attleboro, Mass.; is practicing in N. Attleboro. He has memberships in AOA, MSO, and Lions. The father of four grown children, he enjoys snow skiing, water skiing, scuba diving, motorcycling, cycling, and tennis.

Richard S. Tacelli '52: Winthrop, Mass.; has maintained a solo practice since 1954. He was the health commissioner in Winthrop for 13 years and served as the town's water commissioner for 12 years. He is married to Patricia and they have five children. He enjoys fly fishing, boating, poker, traveling, greyhound racing, and reading.

Walter P. Taranto '52: Arlington, Mass.; has been in practice for 40 years. He is past chairman of the "Save Your Vision Week." He is married and has two sons and one grandchild. He is a member of Lexington Golf Club and he is active in wood working.

Thomas L. Vermes '52: Cherry Hill, N.J.; is in private general practice in Mount Holly, N.J. He is married to Rhoda and they have three children and four grandchildren. He is vice president of the Camden Optometric Center in Camden, N.J., and serves as its director of education.

Harry T. Zeltzer '52: Ipswich, Mass.; retired in 1984 and is involved in third world eyecare. He is developing a soft x-chrom lens which was issued a U.S. patent in 1991. He has life memberships in AOA, American Academy of Optometry, and the NEWENCO Alumni Association. He enjoys collecting antiques and maintaining a circa 1725 salt box.

Leonard Zuckerbraun '52: Preston, Conn.; is married to Irene and they have three sons: Joel, David, and Kurt.

1960s

Marvin G. Baum '64: Mililani, Hawaii; recently retired from the U.S. Air Force as a lieutenant colonel after 28 years. He is past president and life member of the Armed Forces Optometric Society and is a member of AOA. He has two children: Leonard (21) and Melvin (17).

Michael Consiglio '62: Johnston, R.I.; is a member of AOA and Rhode Island Optometric Association. He serves as a school visual consultant in the town of Johnston. He is married to Carol and they have two children.

Michael Gorman '62: Trumbull, Conn.; is president of the Connecticut Visual Health Center, a non-profit charity providing eyecare to area residents based on their ability to pay. He holds an ophthalmic optician license in Ireland, which is now recognized in all European Community (E.C.) countries. His practice was selected by *20/20* magazine as one of the "best and brightest practices" for 1992.

Charles R. Phillips, Jr. '63: Mattapoisett, Mass.; is still active in the profession. He is married to Lorraine and they have three children and two grandchildren. He and Lorraine enjoy hunting, fishing, traveling, and photography.

Anthony Porco '62: Sarasota, Fla.; is licensed in Mass. and Florida and is in private practice with two offices. He is married to Linda and they have three children and one grandchild. He practiced in Miami from 1962-1980.

Herbert D. Simons '62: Berkeley, Calif.; is a professor in the Education Department at the University of California at Berkeley. He is not practicing optometry, but is affiliated with the School of Optometry at Berkeley, where he lectures on vision and reading to optometry students. "I would like to hear from my classmates," he writes.

Robert S. Weber '62: Hurley, N.Y.; has had a private practice in Kingston, N.Y., since 1971. He has been a member of the Kingston Lions Club for the past 22 years. He is married to Suellen and they have three children.

1970s

Daniel Bausch '72: Longmeadow, Mass.; is in private practice in Springfield, Mass. He is married to Peggy and they have four children including three-year old twin girls. He fondly remembers Ben Brumberg's apartment with his monkeys. "Attending Charlie Mitchell's wedding in Baltimore with Doug Hancock and Arthur Friedman and hearing Dick (the old pup) Graves sing German songs late at night on Newbury Street."

J. Benjamin Brumberg '72: Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; is president of Dove Business Consultants in Dania, Florida. He also practices optometry in Dania. He serves on the Sports Development Committee of the Broward Economic Development Council and is involved with several other civic associations. He is married to Dorothy and they have two children.

Ronald M. Cline '72: Randolph, Mass.; has been married for the past 21 years and has three children. He is a member of MSO, AOA, and Contact Lens Section of AOA. His hobbies include bodybuilding and skiing.

William M. Dell '72: Jenkintown, Penn.; is currently associate dean for education at Pennsylvania College of Optometry. He serves on the National Board of Examiners in Optometry Clinical Skills Examination Committee. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry. He plays "over 30s" basketball and enjoys indoor and outdoor gardening.

Daniel and Peggy Bausch, son Ryan, daughter Devon, twin daughters Taryn and Brittany

Irwin Nathanson '72: Peabody, Mass.; is associate professor of optometry at NEWENCO and at the end of this academic year will have been teaching for 20 years. He also has a private practice in Danvers, Mass., specializing in vision therapy. He is married to Karen and they have four children.

Richard H. P. Robillard '72: Tyngsboro, Mass.; is treasurer of Merrimack Valley District of MSO. His hobbies include traveling, photography, snow skiing, reading, and gardening.

Norman Savage '72: Northford, Conn.; practices in North Haven, Conn. Norman and his wife Judy have two

children: Matthew, a freshman at Hampshire College in Amherst, and Jenna, a high school sophomore. "Cody is our Belgian sheep dog who is vicious and stays home mostly," he writes.

Bezalel (Charles) Schendowich '78: Jerusalem, Israel; is a member of the education committee of the Israel Optometric Association. He is active in the planning of Israel's first college degree program in optometry at the Jerusalem College of Technology. He is requesting donations of library materials such as books, journals, slides (with or without texts), and tapes from alumni for the optometry program. To send contributions or request additional information, contact Charles at: Eye Clinic, Shaare Tzedek Medical Center, P.O.Box 3235, Jerusalem 91031, Israel.

David Schurgin '72: Malden, Mass.; practices in his own office condominium in Malden. He presently is a member of the Board of Registration in Optometry in Massachusetts. In April, he was elected chairman of the New England Chapter of the American Academy of Optometry. He and wife Judy reside in Stoneham.

1980s

Steven J. Agoston '82: Cotuit, Mass.; retired from the Boston Stock Exchange after selling out to Fidelity. He bought an old farm in Cotuit as a half-way house for sick, injured, and orphaned wildlife. "It's more work than I imagined," he writes.

Douglas P. Benoit '83: Concord, N.H.; became a diplomate in the cornea and contact lens section of the American Academy of Optometry in December, 1992. He practices in a multi-sub speciality ophthalmology group, specializing in contact lenses and the anterior segment.

Kay Berner '82: Ashland, Penn.; practices in Minersville, Penn.

A request from Bezalel Schendowich '78.

UPDATE ON ISRAELI OPTOMETRIC EDUCATION

During the past year the education committee of the Israel Optometric Association, headed by Lionel Epstein, chief optometrist at Shaare Tzedek Medical Center, and Kenneth Koslow of Tel Hashomer Hospital, has worked untiringly to provide a full-scale optometric curriculum to two Jerusalem colleges. Our committee was approached simultaneously by the Jerusalem College of Technology and the Hadasah College of Technology, and was requested to formulate the first Israeli academic course of studies designed to graduate in four years optometric manpower destined to raise the level of the profession. What has resulted is a full-time program with course emphasis that falls between the English and American standards.

In order to provide the best possible facilities for our students, we must accumulate library materials. I appeal to the NEWENCO alumni for books, journals, slides with or without text, tapes—new, used, out of print. Take this opportunity to clear your shelves of texts you haven't opened since Boards.

Contributions and requests for further information may be sent to:
Dr. Bezalel Schendowich, Optometrist
Eye Clinic, Shaare Tzedek Medical Center
P.O.B. 3235, Jerusalem 91031, ISRAEL

James A. Bourgeois '82: Centerville, Ohio; is a senior resident physician in psychiatry at Wright State University School of Medicine, Dayton, Ohio. He married Kathleen Ayers in 1988 and they have one son, Emile William Ayers Bourgeois, who was born in 1991. "I would be most interested in hearing from any 1982 classmates, particularly those in the midwest or in the Armed Forces."

John Cloutier '86: Chateauguay, Quebec, Canada; is the proud father of Jesse, who was born in September, 1991. Since 1986, he has been working in a family clinic with his father, Jacques Cloutier, O.D., D.C., and brother Peter Cloutier, D.C. Sadly his father passed away in April, 1991, after practicing optometry for nearly 50 years.

Mark Cooney '82: San Antonio, Texas; practices at Eye Care Centers of America. He is married to Anne and they have six children.

Ilene Danis-Small '82: Iselin, N.J.; is practicing optometry in central New Jersey. She is captain of the Woodbridge Travel Tennis Team and also plays tennis in a recreational league. She enjoys traveling, deep sea fishing, aerobics, bicycling, and photography.

Marc Dodson '82: North Dartmouth, Mass.; is married to Nancy and they have two children Matt (8) and Eric (6). He is still driving and working on small British sports cars and is presently driving a TVR. He is "working with a large group of ophthalmologists doing primary care optometry with a special interest in corneal disorders (so much for vision training)."

Donald Higgins '82: Plainville, Conn.; practices in Plainville.

Catherine Hines '82: Billerica, Mass.; is married to Tom Varian and they are the proud parents of Eve born on June 12, 1989, and Dean (3). Until this year, she was an associate professor of optometry at NEWENCO, and will be moving to North Carolina this summer.

Ansel T. Johnson '85: Blue Island, Ill.; has recently been appointed to serve a two-year term on the advisory board of St. Francis Hospital in Blue Island, Ill. He is married to Tangee and they have one child, Jordon Caleb, born in June, 1991. He is in private practice at the Vision Salon in Blue Island. He is a member of AOA, AOA contact lens section, National Optometric Association, and Blue Island Rotary Club.

Daniel Kurtz '82: Brookline, Mass.; is in his 11th year as a full-time faculty member at NEWENCO. He was promoted to a full professor in July, 1992. He is the co-author of *Clinical Procedures for Ocular Examination* and it has recently been translated into Spanish.

Ken Landesman '82: Scarsdale, N.Y.; is a faculty member at State University of New York College of Optometry. He also is in a private group practice. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry and a member of AOA sports vision section and is a member of the international academy of sports vision.

Michael and Roxanne (Parker) Metayer '85: Windham, Maine; are the proud parents of Keith Michael, born November 21, 1992.

Alvin K. Mun '82: Candia, N.H.; married Margaret (Peggy) Cormier in July, 1990. He enjoys showing Arabian horses with his wife.

Peter G. Nardone '85: Midlothian, Virginia; recently became a full partner of a large primary care optometric practice.

Lynne Noon '82: Chandler, Az.; is married to Bob Kanocz '82 and they have a daughter, Lauren Elizabeth (3). Lynne has been practicing for the past nine years in a large M.D./O.D. practice. She is the owner of The Optical Advantage, a retail optical goods business.

Joe and Erica Petitti '82: Simsbury, Conn.; started a private practice together in 1985. Both provide general optometric care and contact lenses. Joe specializes in low vision care and Erica in vision therapy. They are members of COS. They have two children, Sam (7) and Annie (5). "We love to go biking as a family," they said. They started biking while attending NEWENCO.

Susan Prewandowski '88 and Ronald Mastrolia '87: Raynham, Mass.; announce the birth of their daughter Marianne Patricia, born August 31, 1992. Marianne joins her brother Ronald who is two years old.

Gary L. Roth '88: Dayton, Ohio; announces the birth of a second daughter, Tamar Elisheva, in August, 1992. He is married to Rachel, who is a native of Framingham, Mass. Gary was certified in October, 1992, to use oral and topical pharmaceutical agents in Ohio.

Shelly Toltz '82: Denver, Co.; has been living in Denver since 1983. She started her own practice called Colorado Vision Care and specializes in contact lenses. She is married to Ken and they have two daughters, Allison (6) and Leigh (2). She is a member of AOA and COA. "Enjoy the outdoor life and skiing in the sunshine," she said.

Ned S. Witkin '83: Atlanta, Ga.; has been named director of the Vision Rehabilitation Service in the Section of Ophthalmology of the Emory Clinic at Emory University School of Medicine. He is also chief of optometry at Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta.

Russell G. Woods '82: Auburn, Maine; is married to Jeannine and they have one son, Brendan (14). He has a private solo practice.

Steven Zeldes '83: Kayenta, Az.; was recently promoted to commander in the Public Health Service. He is chief of optometry at Kayenta Service Unit on the Navajo Indian Reservation.

1990s

Stephen Angelo '92: Methuen, Mass.; is employed by Cambridge Eye Doctors as primary care optometrist with strong emphasis on contact lenses. He and his wife Dawn (Bradley) have two children: Stephen Jr. (6) and Stephanie (2).

Robert W. Aube, Jr. '92: Rocky Hill, Conn.; is in private practice in Rocky Hill. He is a candidate for the American Academy of Optometry and intends to be active in the COS. He enjoys skiing and street hockey.

Ara Barsamian '92: Marlboro, Mass.; is living with his parents and two brothers. He is working as an associate for Vision Associates in Marlboro, a private practice. He is a part-time instructor at the New England Eye Institute (NEWENCO's clinical teaching facility) in the Specialty Clinic. He is a member of the AOA, AOA Contact Lens Section, NECO, and MSO. Last fall he was an assistant soccer coach for a youth team called "Soccer Scene" in the National Challenge Cup League.

Eugene S. Baylus '92: Lebanon, N.H.; practices in West Lebanon, N.H., and is married to Lisa Willard Baylus.

Robert Bello '92: Clifton, N.J.; is in private practice in Jersey City, N.J., and is a member of the NJOA. He enjoys racquetball, skiing, swimming, and computers, and is engaged to be married.

Sherri A. Blennerhassett '92: North Providence, R.I.; is married to classmate Joseph Tarantino. She completed a Rhode Island internship for a state license. She is an associate of Dr. Joseph Osmanski in North Providence.

David L. H. Chang '92: Nashua, N.H.; married his college sweetheart two weeks after graduating. They traveled to Malaysia and Singapore for a honeymoon. "I am currently enjoying an outstanding residency program in hospital-based optometry at West Roxbury and Brockton VA divisions. I look forward to working with ophthalmologists — especially anterior segment specialists — in the next few years, and living in the New England area."

Thomas R. Conrod '92: Bristol, Conn.; is doing an optometric residency at Newington VAMC until July. He enjoys tennis and skiing.

Todd H. Gershenow '92: Staten Island, N.Y.; is practicing full scope optometry including treatment and management of ocular disease for EyesFirst Vision Center. He is a member of AOA and NJOA and hopes "to get involved in N.J. optometric politics." He enjoys photography, video, traveling, and skiing.

Ross Gordon '92: Brighton, Mass.; has opened a private practice at an Eyeworld in Chestnut Hill.

Donovan Green '92: Brooklyn, N.Y.; is stationed in Belgium with the U.S. Army. He is working in an international community where he sees patients from 16 nations including the U.S. He sees soldiers and their dependents and will be there until 1995. He is a member of AOA, NOA, and Armed Forces Optometric Society.

David Lennox '92: Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada; is currently in private practice with two other optometrists. He is a member of AAO, AOA, Manitoba Association of Optometrists, and Canadian Association of Optometrists. His hobbies include boating, camping, golfing, and racquetball.

Thomas J. LoPresti '92: Fairlawn, N.J.; is currently practicing in New Jersey as an associate in private group practice. He is involved in contact lenses and primary care. He is also certified in TPA in New Jersey. He is in the process of restoring and preparing a vintage sports car (Porsche) for racing and club driving events.

David P. MacKay '92: Hopkinsville, Ky.; is chief of the Division of Optometry in the Air Force at Fort Campbell. He and his wife Michelle have a son Tyler who is one year old. He is a member of the AFOS and AOA.

Sharon Rabens Maitino '91: Chicago, Ill.; married Robert Maitino on October 20, 1991. She is doing primary care and contact lenses in the Chicago suburbs.

Charles D. Newell '92: Fürth, Germany; is currently the assistant chief of optometry services at the Third Combat Support Hospital in Nürnberg, Germany. He is a member of the Armed Forces Optometric Society and AOA. His hobbies are golfing, shooting, and traveling in Europe. He and his wife Johnna are expecting their first child in July.

William Prentiss '92: Lawrence, Mass.; is practicing in Danvers, Mass.

Patti A. Richard '92: Lawrence, Mass.; is a member of AOA and MSO. She is married to Brian. She opened a solo practice in North Andover in January, 1993.

Patrick Stone '92: West Lawn, Penn.; is a member of AOA, Berks County Optometric Association and International Academy of Sports Vision. His hobbies include fitness and fishing.

Joseph A. Tarantino '92: North Providence, R.I.; married classmate Sherri Blennerhassett in September, 1991. He joined the Navy and is a lieutenant working at the Naval Hospital at the Navy Sub Base in Groton, Conn.

Mary E. Vadas '92: Spencerport, N.Y.; is head of the optometry department at the Oak Orchard Community Health Center in Brockport, N.Y. The center specializes in caring for the underprivileged and uninsured people of western New York state. She also has started a small contact lens practice in the private ophthalmology office of Christine Platt, M.D., in Rochester, N.Y.

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